

# Task force 2B tour in review



Probe by Sg. Thein Sparadd

1st Bn., 35th Armor Rgt. road marches outside of Klokot on the way back to Camp Monteith in
the fog after a long day of screening in December.



Soldiers pause to discuss their options before entering a building in Mijak moments before gunfire was exchanged with a group of armed extremists March 7.



Brig. Gen. Kenneth J. Quinlan receives and passes the task force guidon Dec. 15.



Task Force MedFalcon doctors treat a casualty from the bus bombing in Podijevo Jan. 16.



Twenty-year-old Pfc. Corey Wheeler is responsible for a \$7 million piece of equipment. He is a UH-60 Blackhawk crewchief from 2nd Bn., 501st Avn. Rgt., out of Hanau, Germany.

## 1st AD wraps up Kosovo Mission

Task Force Falcon Public Affairs office

Task Force Falcon (TFF), Rotation 2B built on the successes of its predecessors and brought the Kosovo province even further along the road to recovery in the past six months. The present commander, Brig. Gen. Kenneth J. Quinlan, has led the Task Force since December 15. 2000. In addition to TFF providing a safe and secure environment for the people of Kosovo, TFF soldiers also kept a watchful eye over the boundary along the Presevo Valley and the border between Kosovo and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. These major activities interdicted the illegal flow of weapons and personnel across the boundary and prevented violence from spilling over into Kosovo. The seizure of the equivalent of an



















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Blerim "Blair" Dibra, an linguist for Maj. Jack Maloney, 1st Bn., 35th Arm. Rgt., helps distribute warm winter items to local Gjilan/Gnjilane children in January. Maloney keeps a box of these items in his vehicle at all times and distributes them when he sees the need.



U.S. KFOR troops keep traffic flowing as they fly the flag in central Mitrovica, Kosovo. Soldiers were dispatched to Mitrovica in January in response to violent acts from the locals. Troops remained in the area for approximately two days. This Bradley Fighting Vehicle squad is assigned to Co. B, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., Camp Monteith, Kosovo.



Spc. Robert A. Holmes, civil affairs specialist, HHC, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rep., provides security as Serbians walk through downtown Gjilan/Gnjilane during market day.



Students gather around Lt. Col. Jefforey Smith, commander, 2nd Bn., 327th Inf. Rgt., to listen to what he has to say about the future of Kosovo and what they can do to help make a difference.

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## CG's comments for outgoing task force

Task Force Falcon! Our journey together here in Kosovo is nearing an end. We are rapidly approaching the task force's Transfer of Authority Ceremony when the able and ready 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) will assume responsibility for the mission. Speaking of rapid, this is how I have viewed our time spent in Kosovo, a fast pace, constantly in the execution mode, always moving forward. For a minute, let's stop and look at what we have done. Just what have we accomplished in Rotation 2B?

First and foremost, we are a team of teams. On the surface, you may say that we are supposed to be a team, we are, of course. a military organization. But, let's peel back the onion and look at the magnificent team that was assembled for this mission. At the core of the task force is the 2nd Brigade of the 1st Armored Division with augmentation from various other units of the 1st Armored Division. Around this core, there are other active duty Army units from all over Europe and the United States. Add to this Army National Guard and Reserve units and service members from our sister services including the Navy, Air Force and Marines. Expanding outward further, we have the valued support of DoD and DA civilians and contracted civilian employees, both U.S. and local hires, most prominently from Brown and Root Services. But the team does not stop here. We have the Armies of seven other nations on our team; Russia, Poland, Ukraine, Lithuania, United Arab Emirates, Jordan and Greece, professional soldiers and trusted allies all. This list we must add the great support from the Italian Carabinieri. And if our team is not yet big enough, we've had guest appearances from no fewer than a half dozen other Armies, most recently the Spanish soldiers of Task Force Ariete.

This complex team has stood up to many challenges and succeeded time and again. When you consider the immensity and diver-



Brig. Gen. Kenneth J. Quinlan

sity of the team and the complexity of the tasks we face everyday, it is hard not to marvel at its effectiveness, synchronization and commitment. Thanks team, I could not have asked for a better group of professionals to accomplish this mission.

How did we do in terms of the mission? When we arrived in Kosovo last December, I set a goal for the task force to leave Kosovo a little better than we found it. This sounds modest, but now that you have experienced duty in Kosovo you know how hard progress comes. As soldiers, we are used to having clear evidence of a victory, an end state that defines mission accomplishment. Victory in Kosovo is not so apparent. What is quite clear, however, is that Kosovo is improving every day. Kosovo is a much better place now than six months ago. Sure, there are setbacks and we faced many dark and violent days during our tenure, but in

the balance there is undeniable evidence of improvement. We have seen the introduction of Serb Shopping Days in Gnjilane become a normal daily occurrence, the first two Serbs inducted into the Kosovo Protection Corps and a phenomenal drop in the interethnic crime rate, over a 50% reduction. Kosovo is steadily making progress towards lasting peace.

Each of you have made a difference in Kosovo. Progress in Kosovo is not measured in days or weeks, but rather in months, years or even a generation. You have indelibly imprinted Kosovo with a view of freedom and a symbol of hope. While it may not be immediately obvious to you, know that we are handing over our sector of Kosovo to Rotation 3A in solid condition. In football terms, we are giving 3A a first and ten situation with good field position.

Over the next few weeks, Rotation 2B will conduct its relief in place and return to the many places collectively known as home. While thoughts of home and family and friends are becoming more vivid as our time in Kosovo draws to a close, center your focus on the mission. Even in these final weeks, your safest and surest way home is through disciplined mission accomplishment. This has been your hallmark and is now your reputation, keep it up to the very end to show the world what the finest peace support team in the world looks like.

As much as I would like to, I will be unable to bid each of you farewell and thank you personally for your contributions to this task force. Instead, please accept my deep gratitude for your professional conduct and personal dedication to this mission. Each of you have grown personally and professionally on this mission in ways you may not yet realize. You are a better person for this experience and you leave a piece of yourself here in Kosovo as your legacy. Have a safe journey home.

### Reenlist Army!

Brig. Gen. Kenneth J. Quinlan, task force commander, and Sgt. Todd Grendziak, military policeman, 793rd MP Bn., pose for a picture after Grendziak's reenlistment cermeony held at the Camp Bondsteel parade field April 29. Task Force Falcon, Rotation 2B had approximately 400 soldiers reenlist during their stay in Kosovo. The U.S. Army gave more than \$1.3m away in reenlistment bothers.



## CSM's farewell to Task Force 2B

Hello to all of you out there in Falcon Land!

Well, this is the last Falcon Flier for our rotation. First off I would like to thank you all for making this rotation such a success, I'm very proud of all of you. Many visitors have said that this is the most disciplined Task Force they have seen in Kosovo yet.

Whenever I visited a base camp or a remote site, soldiers understood their task and purpose. All the hard work at your home-station, in IRT, PSO and the MRE paid off here in Kosovo.

Now that our rotation is coming to a close, we must continue to maintain the OPTEMPO, and do a professional Relief in Place with the incoming rotation. Maintain accountability of all equipment, think safety in everything that we do.

Don't let your guard down, because we're not out of here yet! Remember it's not over until the Fat Lady sings, and in my mind that is not until you make a successful linkup with your loved ones in central region or CO-NUS, in your own home, with the

remote control in your hand.

Before I finish writing, I also would like to say thanks to all of the agencies, TRW, Brown and Root, the Red Cross, Education Center, MWR, AFFES and all of the DFAC employees to name just a few. Without their support, our rotation would not have been the success that it is.

Once again, thanks for all you have done to provide a safe and secure environment for the people of Kosovo. Your efforts were an integral part of this mission.

Take care and Godspeed!



Command Sgt. Maj. Sherman L Fuller

#### Mission continued from Page 1...

infantry battalion's worth of equipment removed illegal weapons, munitions and contraband from circulation and use.

In February more than 200 U.S. soldiers from TFF deployed to Mitrovica to augment KFOR forces in Multinational Brigade North. TFF soldiers augmented KFOR's presence for three days in Mitrovica assisting eight other nations with maintaining the peace, following a series of violent protests.

Also in February, TFF soldiers in responded to a violent demonstration in Strpce after a KFOR escorted convoy came under sniper fire, killing one Serbian man and injuring two others. The Task Force sent more than 250 KFOR soldiers from Greece, Poland, the Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, Italian Carabineri and the United States to respond to the crowd, which grew in size to more than 500 people.

After three days of calm in the region following the Strpce riots, the Task Force responded to the Nis Express bus bombing near the town of Podujevo that killed 10 Serbs and injured at least 40 others. TFF assisted Multinational Brigade Center in evacuation efforts by trans porting nine patients to the Camp Bondsteel hospital. Later that day, U.S. KFOR helicopters transported 104 Serbians to Strpce who were stranded at the boundary between Kosovo and Serbia.

The Task Force was called upon again to respond to increased violence and illegal activity along the FYROM border in March. Multinational Brigade East forces were repositioned inside Kosovo along the FYROM border with soldiers operating traffic control points, patrolling in the towns and monitoring activity along the border.

On March 12, NATO authorized the KFOR commander to allow a phased and conditioned return of Federal Republic of Yugoslav forces into parts of the Ground Safety Zone. TFF soldiers supported the reduction of the GSZ by linking up with FRY forces at contact points along the boundary and continue to monitor the activities of the ethnic armed Albanian groups. FRY forces completed moving into two different sectors that border the TFF sector, Zone C East and Zone D.

Mortar fire hit the Kosovo village of



Photo by Pfc. Duane Brown

German soldiers instruct U.S. soldiers how to properly use the German 5.56mm rifle, during a recent Schutzenschnur range sponsored by the 40th Eng. Bn.

Krivenik March 29 killing four civilians and injuring at least 15 others. U.S. and Polish soldiers responded to the incident and helped evacuate and medically treat the injured civilians. Polish soldiers from the Polish-Ukrainian Battalion continued to patrol and monitor the Kosovo-FYROM border area and seized two significant weapons caches in the following week.

The Task Force conducted more than 27,000 patrols enabling citizens of Kosovo to return to their farms and businesses because of increased freedom of movement, further moving towards normalcy.

Over the past six months, TFF and UNMIK-Police have worked closely with the Kosovo Police Service in the region. Although UNMIK-P has primacy for misdemeanors and felonies in the region, TFF has jointly investigated numerous reports of criminal activity and suspicious activities. The region is safer now than before, with less illegal activity, and a 50 percent decrease in violent inter-ethnic crime, allowing the rebuilding of infrastructure to progress and the economy to improve. TFF has also transitioned security responsibility for some patrimonial sites to KPS and UNMIK-P.

The Task Force initiated, managed and accomplished numerous civil affairs and humanitarian assistance missions, resulting in a substantial improvement in the quality of life for countless numbers of citizens in sector. More than 60 humanitarian assistance projects that focused on medical support, school improvements, emergency housing, and sanitation and fire protection total-

ing \$5 million dollars were completed during 2B's rotation. Civil affairs soldiers collected and distributed more than 15 tons of humanitarian assistance clothing to the people of Kosovo. They also conducted 13 business seminars involving more than 1,400 businessmen and potential entrepreneurs. These seminars laid the foundation for the future economic successes of Kosovo.

More than 250 medical and optometry civilian assistance programs were conducted, treating over 15,000 patients and distributing over 1,000 pairs of prescription glasses in MNB (E) in the past six months.

TFF successfully advanced the peace process in countless ways. Multi-ethnic cooperation continues to grow. TFF soldiers continued their efforts to integrate minorities into Kosovar society by sponsoring minority-shopping days in towns throughout the sector as well as overseeing the induction of the first Serbian men into the Kosovo Protection Corps in April 2001.

The accomplishments of this multinational force are a laudable tribute to the individual countries involved, and to the spirit of teamwork built through close cooperation and a shared commitment to making Kosovo a better place to live for all of its citizens.

Multinational Brigade East will continue a partnership with the people of Kosovo, UNMIK, Non-Governmental Organizations and International Organizations. Page 6 May 15, 2001



Company A, 2nd Bn. 327th Inf. Rgt., walk through Vitina on patrol. The 101st will assume MNB(E) responsibility in June 2001.



Top: MWR programers Ed Winters and Marcus L. Wheeler put the finishing touches on some of the new equipment before opening.



Pvt. Chad Price, infantryman, 1st Plt., Co. C, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., watches over the crowd gathered in front of the Gnjilan/Gnjilane City Theater for New Years Eve celebrations.



Capt. Varick Ready, officer in charge, 4th Civil Affairs Group business development team, makes contact with a local businessman via his linguist at a business seminar held in Gnjilane.



Lt. Col. Gary Morsch, family practitioner, 313th Hospital Unit Surgical, describes what the momument for the late Merita Shabiju will look like to the family and surrounding soldiers.



Capt. Marshall Mendenhall, physician, HHC, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., listens to the heartbeat and breathing of an older patient with his stethoscope during the MEDCAP at Surlane Dec. 19.





Using visual aids that children can relate to, Sgt. Brent Eichelberg, armor crewman, Co. B, 1st A Brown and Root worker tops off a Humvee Bn., 35th Amr. Rgt. rehearses a mine awareness class to soldiers posing as the school children, coming in from a mission at the Camp during multinational mine awareness training. Sgt. John S. Puddy, tank gunner, Co. C, 1st Bn., Bondsteel fuel point.

35th Amr. Bn., serves as the linguist for the training.



Spc. Alana D. Cantrell, water lab specialist, TF MedFalcon, and Spc. Jeffery C. Hamilton, combat engineer, HHC, 40th Eng. Bn., inspect soldiers living quarters.



Photo by Capit Mayer Camer Spc. Zilkia Rodriguez, supply clerk, 208th Finance Bn., explains to a school child how many gifts he can pick from the boxes the soldiers brought.

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Buffy Lawson, lead singer and co-founder of 'Mustang Sally,' captures the crowd's heart by singing hits from 'Dixie Chicks' Feb. 17.



Rachel sits on the lap of a KFOR soldier during her singing routine of the performance by at the Washington Wizards dance team performance Jan. 2 at the Camp Bondsteel theater.



Pfc. Stacey Lacey and Spc. Allison F. Bialeck, MPs, 793rd MP Bn., look through karaoke books to decide what to sing Feb. 14.



Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Richard Puckett

EgoDog rocks the Bondsteel theater stage Jan. 22 performing current and classic rock songs for a small, but enthusiastic crowd.



1st Sgt. Grear Dale, HHC, 2nd Bde, squares up against his Cpl. Deric Mordica, Co. B, 40th Eng. Bn., before the tipoff of the Task Force Falcon Regional Basketball Championships.



Sgt. 1st Class Darnell McInnis, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 40th Enginner Battalion, Sgt. Ricardo Forde, 55th Signal Company (Combat Camera), and Spc. Hal Johnston, Co. B, 47th FSB, shop for lighters.



Jewel strums her guitar and captures the crowds heart with her song "You were meant for me." Jewel entertained the crowd with three of her top songs, Dec. 18.





Above: One of the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders smiles as the crowd of soldiers screams for more.

Left: Secretary of Defense William Cohen says of few inspirational words to the crowd before the show begins.

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Moments before departing the POLUKRBAT base camp, a mother bids farewell to her son Feb. 9. They were reunited after remaining six months of a one-year tour of duty in Kosovo.



Bulldozers from Co. B, 94th Eng. Bn., flattens a dirt area to help prepare it to be made into a soccer field in February.



Pfc. Christopher Slusher, demolitions specialist, prepares explosives to be placed inside of the cave. Engineers used a combination of C-4 plastic and TNT to crush the rock around the cave in February.



Soldiers from 2nd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, traveled to Mogila in January in an effort to help the community with their trash problems. Using unit equipment, soldiers helped clean up the sides of the road inside the village.



Photo by Sq. Thorn Spanned
Pfc. Demetrius Campbell, petroleum supply specialist, a Russian soldier and Spc. Rome Cazco, petroleum supply specialist, HHC, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., stop a car at Checkpoint 75 Jan. 22.



1st Lt. Kevin M. Czarkowski, liason officer, 1st Bn. 508th Airborne Bn. Combat Team prepares to land in the Viti/Vitina drop zone.



A member of the Kosovo Protection Corps hushes onlookers as blood oozing out of his arm while one of his comrades attempts to put an intravenous needle into his right arm.



Pfc. Cassandra Ragsdale, a intelligence analyst from HHC, 1st AD, chats with Speaker of the House Dennis Haster during his visit Jan. 11.



Doctors examine the X-ray showing where the RPG motor was lodged in the police officers leg before the operation to remove it.



Begiri Nexhmedin is escorted from the detention Sorted from the detention facility to the convoy by Sgts. 1st Class Kristyne M. Schroeder and Gregory E. Nager, miltary policemen, 793rd MP Bn.

Photo by Pfc. Duane Brown

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Capt. Greg Hutcheson, TF MedFalcon optometrist, performs an optical examination on an Albanian girl while her grandfather holds her still Feb. 23.



Spc. Christopher T. Allison, military policeman, 82nd MP Co., searches the trunk of a vehicle at a check point set up in Viti/Vitina in February.

## No, he went that way!

Soldiers from 3rd Ptt., Co. C, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., respond to noises in the distance during a recent patrol in the area around Mucibabe/Mucibaba, near Outpost Terminator. Soldiers conduct presence partols in this area routinely as part of their mission to provide a safe and secure environment for the people of Kosovo. The 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., is based out of Camp Monteith.





Phob by Pt. Dame Brown
Above: Sgt. 1st Class Kevin R. Parrish, medical NCO, TF MedFalcon, evaluates Pfc. Stacey
Lacey, military policeman, 258th MP Bn.

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May 16	1930 Save Silverman 2130 Sweet November	May 24	1930 Valentines Day 2130 Lost Souls
May 17	1930 Meet the Parents 2130 Family Man	May 25	1930 Dude, Where's My Car
May 18	1930 Save the Last Dance		2130 Me, Myself and Irene
	2130 Snatch	May 26	1930 Down to Earth 2130 Get Over it
May 19	1930 3000 Miles to Graceland		2130 Get Over it
	2130 Recess: School is out	May 27	1930 Get Over it 2130 Down to Earth
May 20	1930 Recess: School is out 2130 3000 Miles to Graceland	May 28	1930 The Watcher 2130 Dracula 2000
May 21	1930 Double Take 2130 13 Days	May 29	1930 Bless the Child 2130 Valentines Day
May 22	1930 Remember the Titans 2130 The Pledge	May 30	1930 Down to Earth 2130 Get Over it
May 23	1930 3000 Miles to Graceland	May 31	1930 Dungeons and Dragons
	2130 Recess: School is out		2130 Art of War

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### Chaplain's Corner

## Thank you for your work

Story by Chaplain (Maj.) Robert Land Task Force Falcon

The final issue of the "Falcon Flier" for Task Force Falcon 2B . . . and, as usual, I am late with my contribution.

Well, I can say with some degree of certainty... THAT will never happen again! We have celebrated every major religious holyday during the course of our deployment: Ramadan, Christmas, Hanukkah, Passover, and Easter. Looking back, much has been accomplished, and some thanks are in order...

Let me begin by thanking the command group and unit commanders for their unwavering support of our religious programs. I have been given freedom to decide and act as the Task Force Falcon chaplain. Any complaints should be directed to me! Unit chaplains report outstanding support from their commanders as well.

Such support allows us to function as professional clergy in providing support to our soldiers. Lt. Col. John Jordan of the 40<sup>th</sup>

Engineer Battalion went beyond outstanding support. He allowed Chaplain (Capt.) Rzasowski to provide Catholic coverage for the entire task force, and this in addition to his battalion responsibilities. Engineer soldiers also constructed the Christmas manger and the three Easter Crosses near Peacekeepers Chapel, which were enjoyed by all. To all ... thanks!

I want to also thank all of our chapel service volunteers. We would be hard pressed to provide such meaningful worship opportunities without the talents of our volunteer soldiers and civilians. Some services would not happen at all without the willing participation of individuals like Jeremy Johnson and Muhamet Elezha who leads our Muslim services. Or Capt. Paula Schassberger and Sgt. Cassandra Shafer who lead our Jewish services.

Let me stop "naming names," as I am sure to leave someone out. Suffice it to say that volunteers lead our Latter-Day Saint services, provide supplemental Catholic field services, lead our Gospel Choirs, sing in our choirs, read Scriptures, serve as ushers, and on and on.

The quality of our religious support is a result of your willingness to serve, and on behalf of the chaplains and chaplain assistants of Task Force Falcon...Thank you!

And finally, as the Task Force Falcon Chaplain, let me say "Thanks!" to all the Unit Ministry Teams. Fourteen UMTs and five individual augmentees from the Active, Reserve, and Guard components came from the United States and Germany to form an effective ministry team that "made it happen!" Their love for soldiers was evident, as was their willingness to work long hours.

They are the reasons for any success this Task Force religious support program may have experienced. I also want to thank the shortage faith group chaplains who came down from USAREUR to provide special Holyday services that we could not

We were also visited by the Chief of Chaplains at Christmas time, and the USAREUR Chap-



lain at Easter! For a great religious season of celebration, to every chaplain and chaplain assistant...Thanks!

And finally finally, thanks to the Falcon Flier for their patience in waiting for my articles, and for their willingness to give us the Chaplain Corner. It was a great forum for us to speak to some important issues and topics.

And now, may the Lord bless us and keep us, may He make His countenance to shine upon us, and may He give us His peace ... see you all back in Central Region! HOOAH! ... and Amen.

### KFOR Worship Schedule

#### Camp Bondsteel Latter Day Saint Service - South Chapel Sun 1600 1900 Praise and Worship Night Roman Catholic Sun 1700 **Sunday School** South Chapel Sun 0730 Mon 1800 **Family Home Evening** SATURDAY Sun 1200 Mass - Peacekeepers Chapel 1800 Gospel Choir Practice Sun 1900 Mass - Peacekeepers Chapel 2000 Movie Night Jewish Fri 2000 Mon 1130 Mass - Peacekeepers Chapel Service - South Chapel Tue 1930 Mass - Peacekeepers Chapel Camp Able Sentry RCIA - Peacekeepers Chapel Tue 2000 Wed 1130 Mass - South Chapel Adventist Sevice - South Chapel Sunday Wed 1900 Bible Study - South Chapel Sun 1900 Praise and Worship - South Chapel 0130 Protestant Service Wed 1930 Bible Study - Peacekeepers 1300 Spanish Mass Chapel 1600 LDS Service Thu 1930 Mass/School of Prayer - South Camp Monteith 1900 Gospel Service Chapel Fri 1130 Mass - Peacekeepers Chapel SUNDAY Tuesday Mass - South Chapel 0830 LDS Service 1900 Gospel Bible Study Sat 1700 1000 Protestant Service Protestant 1115 Bible Study Wednesday 1300 Gospel Service 1600 AA Meeting Sun 0900 Service - South Chapel 2000 Mid-Week Bible Study Sun 0930 Service - Peacekeepers Chapel 1900 Catholic Mass Thursday 2000 Contemporary Service Gospel 1900 Prayer Meeting Sun 1200 Service - South Chapel Sun 1600 Service - Peacekeepers Chapel TUESDAY Friday Thu 1800 Prayer - Peacekeepers Chapel 1900 New Believers Class 1900 Gospel Hour Fri 1900 Joy Night - Peacekeepers Chapel Sat 2000 Gospel Choir Practice -WEDNESDAY Saturday Peacekeepers Chapel 1900 Catholic Mass/Inquiry Class 1730 Catholic Mass 1900 Choir Rehearsal THURSDAY 0800 Catholic Mass Islam 1900 Promise Keepers Bible Study Fri 1200 Prayer - South Chapel

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Staff Sgt. Rhonda K. Kaffka, registered nurse, 313th Hospital Unit Surgical, looks over a patients chart with British Lance Cpl. Carolyn Shepard, nurse at Reynolds Hospital during an exchange program between MNB(E) and MNB(C).



Spc. Alex A. Barraza, Pvt. James O. Swinney (front), Spc. Brian M. Moran (back right), and Spc. Danny P. Thomas (back left), combat engineers, Svc. Btry., 4th Bn., 27th FA Rgt., enjoy pizza at the newly opened Anthony's Pizza March 3.



Photo by Sgt. James Montoy

Sgt. 1st Class Thomas L. Felder, master instructor, shows Sgt. Jason Iverson, TF MedFalcon proper defensive hand position.



Participants in the MWR fashion show line up on the Camp Bondsteel Theater stage to show off their evening wear fashions Feb. 25..



Cpl. Roger Vansimpsen of the 3rd Para Commando, Belgian Army, prepares to charge the M240-B machine gun as Spc. Jason Coleman, assistant gunner, and Pfc. Bernard Visocchi, gunner, Co. A, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Rgt., talk him through the process.



Sgt. Billy Rogers, 40th Eng. Bn., drives the bobcat and moves the blocks that make up the cribbage that the rocking rollers sit on, while French soldiers place the blocks underneath the bridge April 13.



Pvt. Ian Neilson, gunner, fires the 50 caliber machine gun on top of an M-1 Abrams, April 23, at Ramjane Range.



Sgt Larry T. Rickert, 141st Signal Bn., noncommissioned officer in charge, electronics maintenance shop prepares the remote site Internet signal.



Pfc. Heidi L. Dougherty, petroleum specialist, HHC, 1st Bn., 501st Avn. Rgt., blocks the kick of one of the foreign teams players during the Camp Bondsteel sports day held in April to help promote unity amung international troops.



Photo by Staff Sgl. Christopher Swartz

1st Lt. Ryan Baum, referee, watches closely as two fighters go at each other in the ring. Safety was the key concern during the matches, Baum wanted to make sure nobody got hurt. The boxing match was held to raise money for a soldier in the battalion whose daughter died a year ago in a tragic accident. It also gave soldiers an opportunity take their frustrations out on people in a safe and controlled environment.

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Merita Shabiju's father kisses the headstone Photo by Capt. Alayne Crame Sylejman Metushi, KPC doctor, assisted by a Ferizaj/Urosevac hospital nurse examines a baby during a recent MEDCAP in Ugzmana in late January. of her grave after the memorial ceremony held Feb. 27.



Engineers launch a Mine Clearing Line Charge into an open field at Ramjane Range.



The 155mm gun of a M-109A6 Paladin from 1st Plt., Btry. C, 4th Bn., 27th FA Rgt., fires an illumi-



Smoke, dirt, dust and flames burst into the air as a group of munitions are destroyed March 24, at Camp Bondsteel.



A Brown and Root contract worker and a soldier put the engine of a humvee back together after replacing some parts during maintenance.



Lt. Gen. James C. Riley, V Corps Commander, heads out on a foot patrol through Viti/Vitina with a squad of soldiers from 1st Bn., 325th AIR in Arpril.